

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A means for protecting an automatic money handling machine (1), comprising an upper surface of the automatic money handling machine being formed flat, a base plate (3), a housing space (5) for housing the automatic money handling machine being formed under the base plate, the base plate having an opening (7) through which the automatic money handling machine is passed, the opening continuing to the housing space. The automatic money handling machine is usually held over the opening by a supporting means (9) so as to protrude above the base plate. The supporting function of the supporting means is cancelable. The automatic money handling machine drops downwardly into the housing space so as not to protrude above the base plate when the supporting function of the supporting means is canceled. It is impossible to take away money contained in the automatic money handling machine even by means of heavy construction or destruction machines.